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submit that in view of their common focus on anti-C5 antibodies, this requirement for a restriction requirement is not met for Groups I-V notwithstanding the classification of the claims of these groups in different classes and subclasses as set forth in the Office Action.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the restriction requirement and the examination of all of the claims of Groups I-V is respectfully requested.

Submitted herewith is a petition under 37 CFR §1.136 and the required fee requesting a five month extension in which to file this paper. With the extension, this response is due on June 15, 2000. Throughout the prosecution of this application, the Commissioner is authorized to charge all fees under 37 CFR §1.17, including all required extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 11-1158.

Respectfully submitted,

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